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Town of Ipswich Imposes Mandatory Water Restrictions

Due to the lack of precipitation and excessive customer water demand, the Town of Ipswich must impose mandatory water restrictions at this time. These restrictions are being imposed in accordance with the Town of Ipswich Drought Management Plan and are effective immediately.

During a declared public water supply shortage, the following practices shall be **permitted**:

- (a) Car washing, by the pail method only.
- (b) Lawn/garden watering by hand-held hose between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The following practices shall be **prohibited**:

- (a) Pool filling/refilling (pool owners shall contract for the delivery of pool water from suppliers other than those of the Town).
- (b) Washing of house siding.
- (c) Automatic sprinkler use.

If these restrictions are not effective and we do not receive a significant amount of rain in the near future, a water ban prohibiting <u>all</u> outside water use will be imposed.